

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application in light of the above amendments and following comments is courteously solicited.

The Examiner in his Office action dated March 27, 2008 indicated the subject matter of previously submitted dependent claim 24 as being allowable. Dependent claim 24 has now been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the claims from which it depended. In addition to the foregoing, claims 15 through 23 and 25 have been amended so as to depend directly from new independent claim 24. Previously submitted independent claim 14 has been canceled. In light of the foregoing amendments, and the Examiner's indication of allowability, it is submitted that all of the claims as now pending patentably define over the art of record.

The early issuance of a formal notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

An earnest and thorough attempt has been made by the undersigned to resolve the outstanding issues in this case and place same in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or feels that a telephone or personal interview would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues which remain in this application after consideration of this amendment, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone the undersigned and the same would be gratefully appreciated.

It is submitted that the claims as amended herein patentably define over the art relied on by the Examiner and early allowance of same is courteously solicited.

If any fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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